

PENALTY NOTICE FINE FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024

FIRST OFFENCE

1

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent per child if paid within 28 days. Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days

SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

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The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent per child if paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

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The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to the magistrates court. Fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates Court can show in a Parents future DBS Certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSCENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

PENALTY NOTICE FINE WILL BE CONSIDERED WHEN THERE HAS BEEN 10 SESSIONS OF UNAUTHORISED ABSCENCE IN A 10 - WEEK PERIOD